

#27  
Pre-Amdt. D  
D. Smalls-Logan  
2/5/02

PATENT APPLICATION  
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. Q56708

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Satoshi SHINADA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/437,246

Confirmation No.: 7699

Group Art Unit: 2861

Filed: November 10, 1999

Examiner: NGHIEM, M.

For: INK JET PRINTING APPARATUS AND INK CARTRIDGE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

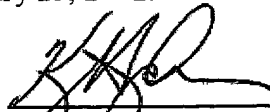
Prior to examination of the enclosed RCE, but after entry of the amendments included in the paper previously filed on December 27, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows. An enclosed Appendix includes a version with markings to show changes made.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claim:

Certificate of transmission

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office Fax No. (703) 308-5841 on January 25, 2002.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Kelly G. Hyndman  
Registration No. 39,234

TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800  
JAN 25 2002  
FAX COPY RECEIVED

FAX COPY RECEIVED  
JAN 25 2002  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800